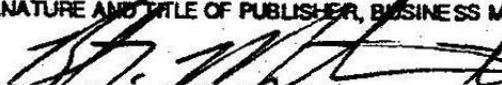


STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER The Rapid City Journal		2. DATE OF FILING 10/01/00
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE Daily & Sunday		3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 365
3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$190.54		
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) 507 Main St., PO Box 450, Rapid City, Pennington, SD 57709		
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printer) 507 Main St., PO Box 450, Rapid City, SD 57709		
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: Bill Masterson, Jr.		
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given. FULL NAME COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS (See Attached)		
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGEES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form) (See Attached)		
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A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		34,035
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales		29,203
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		2,524
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 10B1 and 10B2)		31,727
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State of South Dakota

Sworn to before me this 27th day of February in the year 1892

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County of RAMSEY)

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September 19, 2000
Delia Shumaker
Notary Public
My commission expires 99-04

September 26, 2000

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RE: STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP – SHAREHOLDERS OVER 1%

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IL 61201
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55415
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Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company of America, P.O. Box 21008, Greensboro,
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